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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
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SIR:

Responsive to the Office Action dated May 24, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

A discussion of the **Support for the Amendments** begins on page 8 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.